

SPORTING EVENTS
FOR THE WEEK

Six of Greatest Professionals
Are Entered in the Mar-
athon Derby.

TWO UNIVERSITY BOAT RACES

Travers Going Abroad for Golf
Contests and Yale Team
Coming South.

Standing out as the prominent fea-
tures of the week in the field of sports
are the International Marathon Derby
for professionals, to be decided Sat-
urday, April 3, at the Polo Grounds, New
York, and the classic Oxford-Cambridge
boat race on the river Thames the
same day.

Six of the best professional long-
distance runners in the world will take
part in the Marathon Derby, for which
cash prizes amounting to \$10,000 will
be awarded. The winner's share will
be \$5,000. The entrants are Dorando
Pietri, Italy; Shrubbs, England; St.
Yves, France; Longboat, Canada;
Jayes, New York, and Maloney, York-
ers.

Oxford-Cambridge Boat Race.
The boat race between Oxford and
Cambridge will be the sixty-sixth an-
nual event of the kind. Oxford has
won thirty-four times, while Cambridge
has been the victor in thirty races.
Once the race resulted in a dead heat.

The Yale Varsity crew will leave
New Haven Wednesday for Philadel-
phia to train for the race against the
University of Pennsylvania next month.

The only pugilistic match of any im-
portance scheduled for this week is a
ten-round go between Sam Langford,
of Boston, and Morris Harris, of Phila-
delphia, at the Manhattan Athletic Club,
Brooklyn, Monday night.

Word comes from Chicago that the
sport is to be revived there during the
coming month, and that bouts are now
being arranged for the Dexter Park
Pavilion, where Packey McFarland may
be put on with some first-class light-
weight.

Travers to Go Abroad.
Jerome D. Travers, of Montclair, N.
J., national amateur golf champion,
will sail next Saturday for an ex-
tended tour of the British Isles and
the Continent. He will enter for the
championship over the Merfield Links
the last week in May. His friends in
this country hope that he will repeat
the victory won by Walter J. Travis
five years ago at Sandwich.

The International 15.2 ball line bil-
liard championship at the Madison
Square Garden, Concert Hall will be
concluded next Friday unless there
should be a tie for first place. In this
case the deciding game will be played
on Saturday evening.

Yale Coming South.

The college baseball season will open
Thursday when Yale will play George-
town at Washington. The Yale sched-
ule after that calls for games with the
University of Virginia at Norfolk and
the New York Nationals at Norfolk.
The Yale track team also will go
South at the end of the week to get
in shape for the dual meet at Char-
lottesville, Va., on April 16.

MAY EIGHT CORBETT.

Johnson Says Jeffries Must Answer
Him Within Ten Days.
CHICAGO, ILL., March 28.—Unless
James J. Jeffries gives Jack Johnson
a definite answer within ten days as
to whether he will fight, the negro
champion will give James J. Corbett
a chance for a bout, according to an
announcement made to-day after a
conference between Johnson and Cor-
bett just before the champion left for
New York.

Corbett arrived in Chicago in the
morning and sought out Johnson. The
two men agreed to fight, it is said.
Johnson said he would post a tem-
porary forfeit as soon as he reached
New York, and Corbett said he already
had \$10,000 up with Al Smith, of New
York.

Amusements.

The Wednesday Club
16th Annual Music Festival
City Auditorium,
April 14th & 15th

The subscribers' list will close in
a few days, and persons desiring to
enroll their names should do so at
once. The fee is \$10, and entitles
each subscriber to TWO tickets to
each of the three concerts, and to
preference in reserving seats. Names
may be enrolled and information
obtained at The Wednesday Club of-
fice, 213 East Broad Street. Phone
2734.

BIJOU—All Week

Matinee Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
A. H. Woods' Thrilling Drama,
The Gambler of the West

By Owen Davis.
See LITTLE GREAT BEAR,
An Indian Papoose.

ACADEMY, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.
Matinee Saturday.
Frederic Thompson Presents
"POLLY OF THE CIRCUS,"
WITH
EDITH TALIAFERRO.

BASEBALL

NEWARK, EASTERN LEAGUE,
VS.
RICHMOND, STATE LEAGUE,
Thursday, Friday and Saturday,
April 1, 2, 3.

Game called at 7 P. M.
Admission, 25c. Grandstand, 15c.

ACADEMY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31,
THIRD SERIES OF
FREDERICK THOMPSON'S
ILLUSTRATED TRAVEL TALKS,
RUSSIA FROM THE BLACK SEA TO
SIBERIA.

ACADEMY, MONDAY, MARCH 29,
JOSEPH AND WILLIAM
JEFFERSON
IN
THE RIVALS.
Prices: 15c. to \$1.50.

LURIN THEATRE. This week's bill in-
cludes Glissando, the musical monarch;
Barrow and Milo, perfect athletes, and
other exclusive vaudeville and picture num-
bers. Continuous performances daily from
2 to 11 P. M. Admission, 10 cents; ladies
and children, at matinees, 5 cents.

A YOUTHFUL TWIRLER



PETE WILSON, OF THE NEW YORK AMERICANS.

CANADA IS TO IMPROVE
HER BREED OF HORSES

Dominion Is Anxious to Regain Her Laurels Lost to
Kentucky, and Will Stimulate Thoroughbred
Industry in Liberal Fashion.

There was a time when Canadian-
bred horses of the saddle, hunter and
harness type were considered the equal
of those from Kentucky or any other
part of the United States famous for
horse breeding, but within the last
decade there has been little care exer-
cised in the propagation of special
breeds. There is a desire to win back
this distinction, which was once ac-
crued to Canada, and the government
is generally agreed that the showing
that it has the interest of the farmers
at heart by granting special awards
to breeders of fine horses. An award
of \$1,000 has been offered in this con-
nection, and the money will go to the
Montreal Jockey Club for distribution.
The horse bred in the Dominion of
Quebec is the horse from which all
other breeds obtain certain qualities
which go to make perfection. Beauty,
endurance, courage and density of bone
are some of the attributes which this
splendid animal transmits. The train-
er, hackney, hunter, saddle and other
types, which command the best prices
of the world's market to-day, have an
infusion of this blood.

Sir Lomer Gouin, Premier of Quebec,
was so impressed with the thorough-
bred during his visit to the races of
the Montreal Jockey Club last Septem-
ber, that he offered to take up the
question of a special grant looking to
the encouragement of the horse-
breeding interests of the province. The
executive of the Montreal Jockey Club
has decided that the appropriation
shall be distributed to the breeders of
thoroughbreds entered in two races
to be run at the Blue Bonnets track.
One of these is the old established
King's Plate, to be run next fall, and
to which the Montreal Jockey Club
will add \$1,000, and the other is a
new stake to be known as the Provin-
cial Nursery, for two-year-olds, and
to which the sum of \$750 will be added
by the Montreal Jockey Club.

There will be four divisions of the
governmental award in each event. The
breeder of the winner will receive
\$250, the breeder of the second horse
\$150, the breeder of the third horse \$75
and the breeder of the fourth horse
\$50. It will thus be seen that there
is every incentive to make the raising
of fine horses one of the industries of
the Province of Quebec.

The King's Plate, which, of course,
like the Provincial Nursery, will be for
horses bred in the Province of Quebec,
will under these conditions be worth
upward of \$1,000 to the winner, and
should the winner be the property of
his breeder the award will be in-
creased by the government grant. On
the other hand, the breeder, in case he
disposes of his mare when she is in
foal, will receive the premium, so that
there is every encouragement for the
purchase of thoroughbred mares.

Heretofore the winner of any race,

either cross-country or on the flat, has
not been eligible to start in the King's
Plate, but permission has been re-
ceived from the Governor-General to
change the conditions of this race.
Under the new conditions the winner
of a Dominion bred race, as well as a
race exclusively for horses owned,
foaled and raised in the province of
Quebec, will be able to start in the
King's Plate. In former years horses
had to be kept until three years of
age, at least, before any return was
received from them.

Under existing conditions the breed-
er may race his two-year-olds in Do-
minion owned and province bred races.
It is the intention of the Montreal
Jockey Club to have races of this kind
on the program at Blue Bonnets. This
King's Plate will be a much better
race in every respect as a result of
this provision.

INTERESTING BITS
OF BASEBALL FACTS

Some of the Things Known, but
Hardly Ever Re-
membered.

In 1861 the Niagara club defeated a
visiting team 202 to 26 in Buffalo. This
is the record high score.

On May 11, 1871, Harvard and the
Manchester professional team played
twenty-four innings at Boston, neither
team scoring.

Providence and Detroit played seven-
teen innings without a run on August
17, 1882, at Providence. One run was
scored in the eighteenth.

In 1890 Harry Stovey stole 136 bases
in 118 games.

First baseball rules were published
in 1858, being adopted by the National
Association of Baseball Players, an or-
ganization of amateurs.

First salaried team was Red Stock-
ings, of Cincinnati, organized in 1869.
The team won every game it played
that year.

Chicago and Boston are the only two
cities that have had clubs in the Na-
tional League continuously since it
was organized in 1876.

Professional umpiring was intro-
duced in American Association in July,
1882.

Edgar E. Cuthbert circled the bases
in 121.2 seconds in 1875.

Chief Zimmer caught 111 consecutive
games in 1890.

Bats are the only articles now used
in the game that have not been
changed since baseball started.

MIDDIES TO ROW
THE POTOMACS

Dream Long Cherished Will Be
Realized with Two Racing
Events.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 28.—A
dream long cherished by the members
of the Potomac Boat Club has at last
been realized. The local oarsmen,
through the efforts of the racing com-
mittee, composed of J. Hadley Doyle,
chairman; Claude Zappone and C. G.
Warden, have arranged for a regatta
day with the Annapolis midshipmen,
two races to be rowed by the crews
representing the two associations on
Saturday, May 1.

For the past few years the Potomac
rowers have gained widespread dis-
tinction as a result of their prowess
on the water, and efforts have been
made from time to time by represen-
tatives of the local club to match their
efforts with Coach Glendon's Annapolis
proteges, but until this season all ef-
forts have proven useless.

Two races will be rowed by the
Washington sweepers and those of the
Naval Academy, the first between the
regular crews and the second between
the local intermediates and the second
Navy eight.

The distance is to be two miles in
each contest, the course as laid out on
the historic Severn being especially
adapted for this length race.

The prospects for winning eight at
the Potomac club this season are very
bright, as all of last year's regulars,
with the exception of Brewster, stroke
of the first crew, and Miller, of the
second eight, are again to take up the
sport.

Practice Is On.
The season's practice work was
started yesterday on the local course
under the supervision of Captain Carl
Mueller. Just whether Mueller will
lead the oarsmen again this season is
not known as yet, as the annual
election for the captaincy is to be
held the middle of April. Indications
at present point to a warm fight for
the honor between Mueller and a can-
didate whose name has not been made
public as yet.

In preparation for the busy season,
too for this year, and in order that the
men will have the best possible chance
of winning the coveted race at Annap-
olis, two new 1909 racing shells have
been ordered from the Davis Company,
of New York. In addition to the new
shells a full set of oars and oarlocks
will also be put in commission during
the coming month.

The question of a coach for this sea-
son is just now occupying the minds
of the local water dogs. "Pat" Dempsey,
coach at Georgetown, and also in-
structor of the best eight that have
ever been turned out at the Potomac
club, seems to be the logical choice
at present. Whether the veteran tutor
can be induced to resume coaching
again this year is not known. The
club, however, that Dempsey will
again be seen at the helm when the
West End oarsmen get in full
away.

The quarters for the oarsmen at the
clubhouse have been renovated and at
present thoroughly equipped for the
present advantages to the athletes en-
joyed to no fuller extent at any row-
ing association in the entire country.
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completed last spring, ranks with the
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NEW FIGURE IN BASEBALL

SENATOR ISRAEL W. DURHAM,
Political Boss of Philadelphia.SOUTHERN TRIPS ARE NOT
VACATIONS FOR PLAYERS

The Routine Becomes Wearisome and Small Towns Fur-
nish Very Little Amusement for the Players.
Preparation Harder Than Work.

"Pretty soft for those ball players
with a six weeks' vacation in the
South," is the frequent comment of the
fans at home, who don't quite under-
stand the full meaning of a training
trip, says the Washington Post. It is
pretty soft for any man when his em-
ployer provides him with a free prepa-
ration for doing his business each sea-
son, yet the club-owner expects to get
it all back again, or he would not in-
vest from \$5,000 to \$7,000 in a train-
ing trip every spring.

The routine of training is such that
the ball player has little or no time
for recreation, even if he should desire
it. Making the circuit during the play-
ing season is far easier, because, while
on the road, there is but one game a
day, requiring the attention of the
men from 1:30 P. M. to 5:30 P. M. The
athlete has the mornings and evenings
to himself.

After a party of players is collected
and reaches the training place there
is little loafing. The daily routine is
thus: Call at 7:30 A. M. and you have
to get up, or the diligent telephone
girl will ring the bell until she gets
a response; breakfast at 8; dress at 8;
leave for ball park at 9:30; practice in
hot sun or cold wind till 11:15; arrive
at hotel and dress for luncheon at
12:15; eat, smoke; dress in ball clothes
again at 1:30; leave for ball park at
2; more practice or an exhibition game
till 4:30; arrive at hotel at 5 P. M.;
bathe, dress, go to dinner, which is
completed about 7:15; write home or
elsewhere, if desirable, possibly go to
a show or sit in the lobby and fan-
gled at 10:30 to 11; up at 7:30 next
day and do it all over again.

This program is varied seldom, save
on rainy days and Sundays. The rainy
day is the hardest part of the trip.
There is absolutely nothing to do. Be-
ing in training, the player does not
care to drink even beer, as it will put
on weight, which he is trying to shape
off. He knows few people in the town
and cares to know no more. Sight-
seeing in this place consists of the

regular record has been established for
the rider. From the Jockey Club in
New York facts were contributed
showing that Dugan has been suspend-
ed six times and fined the maximum
sum permitted under the rules—\$200
—three times for the same offense of
rough and foul riding.

The English Jockey Club wanted
still further information, and in re-
sponse to a cable request, the facts
of more suspensions and fines for
rough riding at the Oakland Track,
San Francisco, since January 1, were
brought up. The matter of Dugan's
license has rested there, and it is gen-
erally believed that the English
Jockey Club will decline to license
the jockey.

Mr. Sanderson, of the Sanderson-Vin-
cent Syndicate, which is promoting the
match, is here and has received a cable
from his partner, making an offer
of \$25,000 for the contest, to take place
at Melbourne next November during
the Melbourne Cup race week.

Hackenschmidt already has consented
to the terms, and Gutch's signature
is all that is needed.

Baseball Scores.
At Memphis, Tenn.: Chicago (Na-
tionals), 2; Memphis (Southern), 1.

At Port Worth, New York (Nation-
als), 6; Port Worth (Texas), 2.

At New Orleans: Cleveland (Ameri-
cans), 8; New Orleans (Southern), 0.

Western Losses Day.
CHAFFE, N. Y., March 28.—One day
behind his schedule, Edward Payson
Weston at midnight to-night resumed
his walk to the Pacific coast.

WALSH NOW WANTS
SALARY OF \$7,500

White Sox Star Pitcher Says
He Won't Sign for
Less.

IS HE WORTH THAT MUCH?

If Demands Are Met It Will
Cause Many More
Holdouts.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., March 28.—
"Big Ed" Walsh hasn't signed his con-
tract yet. During breathing spells,
while coaching the Yale pitchers, the
White Sox star announced the other
day that it would take \$7,500 to lure
him back to the box for the Chicago
Club. The chances are that Walsh's
ability to win ball games meant sev-
eral times \$7,500 to the owner of the
White Sox team last year, but does it
follow that Walsh should be paid
\$7,500?

What is a top-notch pitcher like Walsh
really worth when it comes right down
to brass tacks? What percentage of
the money that his name and prestige
draw through the turnstile should a
player receive as compensation? That
depends. The player thinks he should
get at least half. The club owner must
view the situation from another
angle. Without taking away from the
baseball star's glory, the owner of a
big league club could vary easily ex-
plain why he would have to turn down
a demand for a salary of \$7,500 in the
case of Ed Walsh, or \$3,000 in the
case of Mike Donlin.

In the first place it would wreck the
ball club, for every other player would
draw through the turnstile in a holy minute. One
player has to be paid in a certain pro-
portion to what his teammates get.
By paying the men like Lajoie, Cobb,
Walsh and Donlin in proportion to the
amount of money they draw through
the gate, the salary list of a ball club
would soon be away above any reason-
able limit, and a club owner wouldn't
be able to get a just return on the
money invested; in fact, he would go
broke.

Public Getting Wise.

The public has never had a very
clear idea of just what the ball play-
ers received in their envelopes on the
first and fifteenth of every month from
April until October. Many think that
every well-known player gets at least
\$4,000, and that the most famous stars
draw down from \$5,000 to \$10,000. And
the public's sympathy has all been
with the player until very lately.
There have been so many player hold-
outs, refusals to jump to the out-
law league by players who never
intended to do anything but jump
right into the bandwagon when the
proper time came, that the dear
old public has switched its sympathy—
or quite a chunk of it—to the club-
owners, who have outgrown the posi-
tion of slave-owners and barterers in
"human chattels."

Still others think the players are do-
ing pretty well to drag down as much
as \$3,200 for a season on the diamond.
If all the big league pay-rolls were
summed up, and an average taken, it
would be found that many players re-
ceive about \$2,000 or \$3,200 apiece for
the six months' work, or play, which-
ever way one happens to look at it.

Does \$3,000 look like a pretty fair
remuneration for a season's work? The
public are divided on that, but prob-
ably not long ago and said they were
more than generous in paying salaries.

Got \$18 Per Week.
"When I think," said Tinker, "of the
way I used to work as a laborer, for
\$18 a week, before I became a profes-
sional baseball player, I have to
stop and shake hands with myself for
my luck in being able to draw major
league money. I couldn't earn the
money the Chicago club pays me doing
anything else. If I didn't have my base-
ball reputation to fall back on, and
I want to say, I don't think a ball
player has a pretty good time earning that
salary. At least, I do, for I love to
play ball. Being paid a good salary
for doing the pleasantest task on
earth is what I call a pretty fine ar-
rangement. I am satisfied, and I think
right down in their hearts, all the
players have a good deal to be thank-
ful for."

The surprise given Jack Doyle's
father when he saw his son "Johnny"
play his first game, typifies the light
in which a part of the fans view the
ball player's life. Jack Doyle had been
mighty good to his parents, and every
pay day sent part of his salary to the
old folks at Holyoke, Mass.

They knew he was getting a big
salary, and his father thought Jack
must be working like a slave to earn
so much more money than he had
in the mills around Holyoke. One day,
when the Brooklyn club, which Jack
was with at this time, visited Boston
for a series, Jack went down to Holy-
oke to visit his parents, and persuaded
his father to return to the city
with him and watch the game.

The old gentleman went. His first
shock was at the luxurious quarters
which the players occupied—at no ex-
pense to themselves. Then came the
game. The elder Doyle was disgusted.
It wasn't what he thought it was go-
ing to be. He believed the thousands
of fans utterly crazy when they got
excited during the heated moments of
the play.

With the game over—won by a time-
ly hit by Jack—the senior Doyle was
greatly relieved. Not at Brooklyn's
victory or his son's fine base hit, but
at the chance to consult his son on an
important matter.

"Jack, do you really tell me that the
money you have been sending us is
honestly earned?" asked Mr. Doyle,
senior, in great anxiety.

"Why, sure," said Jack, surprised
that he hadn't been congratulated for
winning a hard game. "But why do
you ask?"

"Well, I just couldn't believe it was
possible for you to be getting all that
money for kicking up aldos in those
short pants. I am glad your Aunt
Mary didn't see you." It was too easy
for the old gentleman.

How many ball players would be
able to earn \$3,000 in other lines of
endeavor? There are some, but mighty
few. Fielder Jones is passing up a
salary of \$10,000 to look after busi-
ness interests, but business interests
made possible by judicious investment
of the money he earned as a ball
player. Jack Donlin, with his wife,
Mabel Hite, has been making \$1,000
a week all winter, but merely on the
strength of his baseball popularity
earned on the ball field and few of the
players could gather the shekels as
proudly as they do by playing ball.

KEEP UP WITH BASEBALL NEWS

The baseball season is about to open. League, Association,
State (practice) and College Games are now being played.

If you wish to keep posted read The Times-Dispatch.

Prints All the News and Prints It First.